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RE: State of Minnesota Data Submittal for the Sulfur Dioxide Data Requirements Rule

Dear Mr. Kaplan:

Pursuant to the "Data Requirements Rule for the 2010 1-Hour Sulfur Dioxide (SO_2) Primary National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS)" (Data Requirements Rule) final rule 40 CFR Part 51.1203(b) and (d), the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) hereby submits the following information for Data Requirements Rule-subject sources in the State of Minnesota.

Our January 8, 2016, letter identified six sources in Minnesota recommended for air quality characterization under the Data Requirements Rule. On June 8, 2016, the MPCA submitted a request to remove two facilities from that list, both of which had actual SO_2 emissions of less than 2,000 tons in 2015 and which would be subject to permanent, enforceable requirements preventing future SO_2 emissions greater than 2,000 tons per year. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency approved that request on June 22, 2016.

Minnesota, therefore, has four sources still subject to the Data Requirements Rule. Table 1 below identifies the facilities and their selected air quality characterization pathway under the Data Requirements Rule.

Table 1 – Data Requirements Rule-subject facilities

Facility Name	City	County	Pathway
Minnesota Power - Boswell Energy Center	Cohasset, MN	Itasca	Modeling (allowables)
Minnesota Power - Taconite Harbor Energy Center	Schroeder, MN	Cook	Modeling (allowables)
Otter Tail Power Co - Hoot Lake Plant	Fergus Falls, MN	Otter Tail	Modeling (actuals)
Xcel Energy - Sherburne Generating Plant	Becker, MN	Sherburne	Modeling (actuals)

The MPCA is providing modeling protocols via email for the facilities identified in Table 1. In accordance with 40 CFR § 51.103(d)(2) and (3), the MPCA will submit final modeling analyses for the facilities no later than January 13, 2017.

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If you have any questions or comments about this submission, please contact Melissa Kuskie of my staff at 651-757-2512 or melissa.kuskie@state.mn.us.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure